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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants	:	John C. Lee et al.
Application No.:		09/287,500 Confirmation No.: 6377
Filed	:	April 7, 1999
For	:	COMPOSITIONS AND THERAPEUTIC METHODS USING MORPHOGENIC PROTEINS AND STIMULATORY FACTORS
Group Art Unit	:	1647
Examiner	:	D. Romeo

New York, New York
November 12, 2004

Hon. Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This is in response to the July 12, 2004 Office Action in the above-identified application. Applicants submit concurrently herewith a Petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 (a) and the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1) to extend the time for replying to the Office Action for a period of one month up to and including November 12, 2004.

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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.

An **Appendix** containing Exhibits A-K is attached following page 24 of this paper.